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PRESS RELEASE

U.S. GOVERNMENT SPONSORS NURSING DELEGATION

DHAKA, MAY 26 -- A delegation of American nursing experts has concluded a three-day visit to Bangladesh to help advance the importance of nurses in the development of Bangladesh's healthcare system. The delegation, which arrived on May 23 and departed on May 25, included Dr. Mary Kerr, Deputy Director of the National Institute of Nursing Research at the National Institute of Health, Dr. Afaf Meleis, Dean at the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing, and Dr. Stephanie Ferguson, an international nursing leadership consultant and professor of nursing at Virginia Commonwealth University.

The visit included several meetings with private and public nursing officials, a visit to the Government of Bangladesh Nursing Service Centre, and BRAC University School of Public Health. On May 24, the group visited ICDDR, B to host a symposium on building capacity within the nursing sector. The visit was sponsored by the U.S. Department of State in support of President Obama's Global Health Initiative.

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